New Haven Dec. 11th 1841

My dear Brother

Some time has elapsed since I wrote you last — & the reason is, simply, that my days have passed so uniformly — that I have had nothing of consequence to write — I have been very much occupied at home with sewing &c — so much so, that I did not find the time to go to Northampton, as I wished & intended — I am not yet at leisure — & cannot decidedly answer a question you asked in a letter to brother Charles — viz, when I was coming to New York? — But I can say so far as this — probably not until January — I have some things which I wish to accomplish here — & which can be better done here than elsewhere — —

We are all very well at home – for which we have great reason for gr gratitude, but one of Nancy's sisters, (Mrs Whittelsey) is sick, & N– is obliged to be there almost daily – While I am writing she is there & has been from home several hours — – Our dear Willie is doing very well – He is fat & solid & his countenance more healthy than ever before – He is exceedingly playful & pleasant tempered – much more so than when you have seen him — – Great care is however requisite as to his food. It is wonderful how rapidly he has recovered – as much so, as that he should have recovered at all — – He does not talk much yet – but a few words he pronounces very distinctly, such as "Papa" &c — It is music to hear his voice again about the house & he is so overflowing with life & joy, that there are not many waking minutes that he is not to be heard —

Rev Mr Cleaveland's new church has been dedicated this week— sermon by Mr C— principally doctrinal. most of the city clergy were invited & were present & Mr C— took the opportunity to give his peculiar sentiments – The semi annual meeting of the Pastoral Union occurred at the same time & Dr Tyler of East Windsor & Dr Woodbridge of New Hartford, preached on Tuesday & Wednesday evenings – I heard neither Mr C— nor Dr Tyler. Dr Woodbridge I did hear, but was not greatly gratified or edified — The church is very neat & small – the style is different from any I have seen, but said to be similar to the Fourth st. church N.Y. – They have a fine bible presented by a brother of Mr C— It must be quite a day of thankfulness to that society to have a house of their own to worship in — for they have occupied for nearly three years, on the Sabbath, the Lecture room belonging to the Centre Church — Dr Hawes Lectured before the Young Men's Institute" this week – subject. "The spirit & results of the Reformation by Luther" – He is a better preacher, than lecturer –

Anna Romeyn came to Buffalo last month to visit Helen – & she had some expectation of coming as far as New Haven – but the lateness of the season – & the prospect of cold weather & bad roads decided their return – She & her husband who came after her, therefore returned to D— about two weeks since.

I am rejoiced to hear of the favourable prospects of your Seminary – & hope they will all be realised. A great deal of money is wanted to carry on the great enterprises of the present day – May all that is wanting be forth coming! — The churches of this city have just been making their annual collections for the A.B.C.F.M. – The Centre has contributed $2800 – the North $1400 & College $800 – in all 5,000 I have not heard from the other four – but perhaps they will raise $1000

Love to sister Theresa Mary & Eddy — Your affectionate sister

all send love —

Elizabeth

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I receive your review of Doct Grant's work & thank you for it — The Doctor will hardly thank you for cutting him up so entirely

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